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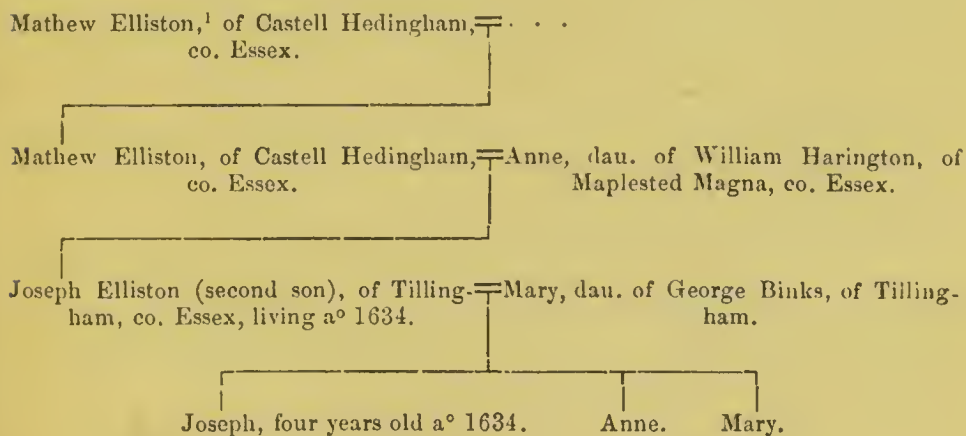
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According to Domesday Book, lands in the following parishes of Essex: Westham, Fyfield, Bures, Mistley with Manningtree, Springfield, Chignal, Notley—Black and White, Rivenhall, Stambourne, and Toppesfield were, at the Conquest, confiscated from one ALESTAN, a freeman, all except a portion in Notley and Stambourne. ALESTON or ALISTON or ALYSTON, with or without a double L and with or without a final E, is obviously the same name as ALESTAN.

At the Heralds' Visitation of Essex in 1634 the following entry occurs:



Arms: Per pale gules and vert, an eagle displayed argent, beaked and legged or. *Crest*: An eagle's head argent, beaked and erased gules, and murally gorged azure.

The arms and crest were confirmed to Joseph Eliston, second son to Mathew Eliston of Hedingham Castell in Essex, and to

¹ In the original Book of Entries (C 21) at the College of Arms the name had been first written with an A, but an E had afterwards been written over the A.

the heirs descending of their bodies, with their due differences, for ever, by Sir Richard Saint George.

MATHEW ALLISTON or ELLISTON of Sible and Castle Heddingham, co. Essex,¹ the Mathew *senior* of the visitation entry, married Anna Whighte at Castle Heddingham, Oct. 29th 1570 (12th of Elizabeth) (P. R.). Mrs. Anna Alliston was buried at Castle Heddingham in 1597 (P. R.). Mathew Alliston's will, dated Sept. 29th 1621, was proved in P. C. C. May 7th 1625 (45 Clarke). In the will he is designated Ycoman. To each of his six sons and to his daughter he left a considerable estate, and to each of his grandchildren ten pounds. To certain "Ministers and Preachers of God's Word" he left twenty shillings each. He also left to trustees a tenement called "Gallovers," with a hop-ground adjoining, the yearly profits from which he directed to be laid out every Novr. in shirts and smocks for twelve poor persons of Castle Heddingham.

The children of Mathew Alliston and his wife Anna were—William, John, Mathew, Joseph, Elizabeth, Edward, Peter.

1. William Alliston, eldest son, baptized July 6th 1572 (14th of Elizabeth) at Castle Heddingham (P. R.). One of the executors of his father's will 1621, and one of the supervisors of his brother John's will, 1625.

Rector of Sturmer, co. Essex, from 1600 to his death in 1628 (*Newcourt's Repertorium*).

In the Calendar of State Papers, under date of Sept. 1627, there is a complaint by the "Commissioners for the Loan for the division of Hinckford in co. Essex" to the Council, against William Aliston parson of Sturmer, for "peremptory and unreverent speeches" in resistance to the levy.

2. John Alliston, second son. It is the line of this son which is to be traced below.

3. Mathew Alliston, third son, baptized Aug. 5th 1576 (18th of Elizabeth) at Castle Heddingham (P. R.). Married Anne, daughter of William Harington of Mapleston Magna, co. Essex (Heralds'

¹ In the list of contributors to the payment of the Subsidy in Essex, 29th of Elizabeth (Lansdowne MS. 52, Art. 59, in the British Museum) the name of "Mathew Allyston" occurs under the head of Heddingham Castell.

Visitation of Essex, 1634), one of the supervisors of his father's will, 1621, and of his brother John's will, 1625. Will, dated Jan. 23rd 1632, and proved in P.C.C. 1637 (42 Goare). In it he is designated Mathew "*Alliston*" of Hedingham at the Castle, co. Essex, gent. but it is signed Mathew "*Elliston*." His sons Joseph and Peter nominated executors. Mentions in his will five sons and two daughters. Besides these he had another son and another daughter who were living in 1621, as appears from the mention of them in his father's will.

The second son, Joseph Elliston, of Tillingham and Dengey, co. Essex, signed the Heralds' Visitation entry of 1634.

This son Joseph was baptized at Castle Hedingham, April 14th 1605 (third of James) (P.R.). He married Mary, daughter of George Binks of Tillingham, by whom he had a son Joseph, four years old in 1634, and two daughters Anne and Mary (Heralds' Visitation of Essex, 1634). His will, dated Dec. 21st 1663, was proved in P.C.C. Feb. 1663-4 (14 Bruce). The executors named in the will having renounced, "administration with the will annexed" was granted to testator's eldest daughter and co-heir, Anne, the wife of Robert Tidderly. His second daughter and co-heir, Mary, as appears from the entry of the Barrington family at the Heralds' Visitation of Essex for 1664,¹ was the wife of Thomas Barrington.

Joseph Elliston's son Joseph, mentioned in the Visitation of 1634 as being then four years old, appears to have died before his father.

Joseph Elliston, in his will, mentions his wife under the name of "Elizabeth." This had been a second wife, sister of Thomas Cremer, whom he calls his brother-in-law.

4. Joseph Alliston, fourth son of Mathew Alliston, senior. He was of Kingsholme, in Norfolk, clerk, Fellow of Emmanuel college, Cambridge, 1609, presented to the rectory of South Rington, co. Norfolk in 1614 (Blomefield's *History of Norfolk*, vol. vii. 8vo. p. 402). Will dated May 21st 1629, and proved in P.C.C. July 19th 1631 (86 St. John) by his relict Susanna,

¹ In the centre of Thomas Barrington's shield that of Elliston with a crescent for difference is placed.

executrix and residuary legatee. His brother Peter appointed overseer. He left two sons, Joseph and Timothy, and three daughters, Anna, Susannah, and Mary.

He gave injunctions to his wife to send his sons, when old enough, to a good "Free School,"¹ and afterwards to Emmanuel college, Cambridge, and to maintain them there for eight years.

Besides portions he left each of his daughters an *English Bible*.

Refers to the legacies to his children which his father Mathew left to them as well as to all his other grandchildren.

He charged his lands with ten shillings a-year to the poor of the parish of South Runc-ton, the same amount to the poor of Castle Hedingham, and the same to the poor of Sible Hedingham.

5. Elizabeth, only daughter, baptized in 1581 at Castle Hedingham (P. R.); mentioned in her father's will under the name of "Elizabeth Elme, my daughter." One of the witnesses of the will was "Wm. Elmye"—Elizabeth's husband, no doubt.

6 Edward Ellistone of Acton, co. Suffolk, clerk, fifth son, baptized in 1584 at Castle Hedingham (P. R.). Mentioned in his father's will 1621. Will dated April 25th 1635, and proved in P. C. C. Oct. 13, 1635 (103 Sadler), by his relict, Grace, executrix and residuary legatee. He left three sons, viz. John, Henshaw, and Edward, and five daughters, viz. Grace wife of John Hix, Mary wife of John Gilbert, Jane, Priscilla, and Thamar.

7. Peter Elliston, sixth son, baptized in 1587 at Castle Hedingham (P. R.). One of the overseers of his father's will, dated 1621, and of that of his brother the Rev. Joseph Alliston of Kingsholme, dated 1629. One of the executors of his brother Mathew's will dated 1632. In his own will, dated March 26th 1650, he is designated as of Ridgwell, co. Essex, gent. The will was proved in the P. C. C. May 25th, 1650 (65 Pembroke) by his eldest son Peter, executor. This Peter himself died in 1654. He was baptized July 27th, 1614, at Castle Hedingham (P. R.). His will, dated April 22nd, was proved in the P. C. C. June 22nd, 1654

¹ That is, as has been shown by the Rev. Dr. Kennedy, formerly of Shrewsbury and now of Cambridge, "schola libera," a school for *liberal* not *gratuitous* instruction.

(148 Alehin), by his brother Joseph, executor. In it he mentions his wife Elizabeth, daughter of Philip Sparrow, but no children.

To recur to JOHN, the second son of Mathew Alliston, senior : He was baptized January 3rd, 1573-4 (15th of Elizabeth), at Castle Hedingham (P.R.). Married Alice daughter of Pilgrim, of co. Essex. (Heralds' Visitation of Essex, 1664, D. 21.) One of the executors of his father's will, 1621. His own will, dated Oct. 7th 1625, was proved at Braintree, co. Essex, May 2nd 1626, in the Commissary Court of the Bishop of London. In the will, he is designated as of Black Notley, co. Essex, Yeoman.¹

Mrs. Alice Alliston was named one of the supervisors of her husband's will; and, besides an annuity and thirds of his lands, had allotted to her part of his house, called "Newhouse" in Gestingthorp.

The children of John Alliston and his wife Alice were :—John, Edward, Joseph, William, Mathew, Peter, Isaae, and Elizabeth.

1. John Elliston of the Grange, Little Coggeshall, co. Essex, gent. In the list of freeholders in the county of Essex, *circa* 1633 (Harl. MS. 2240), the following entries occur :—"Notley Alba, Witham, Joñes Alliston de Coggeshall Parva, gen.;" and "Coggeshall Parva, Joñes Alliston, gen." Mentioned as being present at the institution of Obediah Sedgwick to the vicarage of Coggeshall 1639. (P.R.). One of the Commissioners appointed in 1650 to take a survey of the livings in Essex. Will dated Nov. 6th 1652, and proved in P.C.C. Nov. 10th 1658 (599 Wotton), by his brother Edward, one of the executors, leave being reserved for the other executors, viz. his brothers Peter, Mathew, and Isaae to prove afterwards. In his will he gives his wife Priseilla a sum of 100*l.* immediately, and an annuity of 80*l.* charged on his lands, with the Grange for a residence. The "Grange" he gave to his brothers Edward and Peter, and "New

¹ This is the John Alliston who refers in his will to his "cosen Bedell." See the note in this journal on "The Birth and Parentage of William Bedell, Bishop of Kilmore."

House" (charged with the annuity to his widow) he gave to his brothers Mathew and Isaac. His wood, called "Great Monkwood," and all his remaining property, he gave to be equally divided among his four brothers; with the exception of small bequests to the parishes of Little Coggeshall, Great Coggeshall, and Guestingthorpe, and to the poor of the "gathered Church."

2. Edward Elliston of Earl's Colne, co. Essex, gent. Was one of the Commissioners appointed in 1650 to take a survey of the livings in Essex. Married Mehetabell, or Mabell, third daughter of Thomas Harlakenden of Earl's Colne, and his wife Dorothy, daughter of John Cheney, of Drayton, co. Bucks. (Morant's Essex, vol. ii. p. 212, 1st column, note s. Heralds' Visitation of Essex, 1634, c. 21, fo. 109, in College of Arms.) Edward Elliston and his wife Mabel had a daughter, Mehetabell Elliston, who died unmarried April 2nd 1657, aged 30 years. (M. I. in Earl's Colne church.) Will dated April 15th 1663, and proved at Colchester, in the Archdeaconry Court, May 4th 1663, by his widow, the executrix. He named John, eldest son of his brother, the Rev. Peter Elliston of Sandhurst, co. Kent, deceased, his heir.

To his wife Mabel he left all his personalty absolutely and all his real property in Earl's Colne for her life, on condition that she gave up "all title of dower unto his real property in Little Coggeshall."

3. Joseph Alliston of Allhallows, London, citizen and draper. Mentioned in his father's will 1625. His nuncupative will, dated April 1st 1629, was proved in P.C.C. April 4th 1629, by his brother Edward Alliston, one of the executors (32 Ridley), leave being reserved for the other executor, viz. his brother John, to prove afterwards. In this will he mentions his mother Mrs. Alice Alliston and his sister Elizabeth, and refers to his "brothers as shall be brought up at the University," in allusion to the provision made in his father's will for that purpose.

4. William Elliston of Little Coggeshall. Under age in 1625, the date of his father's will. Died a bachelor. Administration of his effects granted to his brother Isaac in P.C.C. May 17th 1652.

5. Mathew Elliston, M.A., of Stanford Rivers, co. Essex,

clerk. Appointed Sept. 3rd 1646, by an ordinance of the Lords, to be parson of Stanford Rivers.¹ In the report of the Commission appointed in 1650 to take a survey of the livings in Essex,² it is stated under the head of Stanford Rivers:—"Math. Elliston. By sequestration. An able preacher, of a godly conversation."

Mentioned in his father's will as intended to be brought up at the University, for which provision is made.

Married Mary Champion. Mentioned in his brother John's will, in his brother Peter's, and in his brother Edward's.

At the Heralds' Visitation of Essex in 1664 there is an entry (D. 21, College of Arms³), signed by his brother Isaac, in which Mathew is described as the eldest son, and Isaac himself as second son of John and Aliee Elliston. They were then the only surviving sons of the whole seven.

The Rev. Matthew Elliston was in 1662 ejected from the rectory of Stanford Rivers for non-conformity. In 1672, May 13, the "indulgence of a licence" was granted to him to be "a Presbyterian teacher in his house at the Home Grange," Little Coggeshall, the said house being at the same time licensed "to be a Presbyterian meeting place." Having in 1679 bought from his nephew, John Elliston, eldest son of the Rev. Peter Elliston of Sandhurst, deceased, his share of the Grange property, he sold it in 1682 to Mr. Nehemiah Lyde, the ancestor from whom Mr. C. Ducane, the present proprietor, inherits it (Mr. Ducane's title deeds).⁴

The Rev. Matthew Elliston died in 1693, and was buried at Markshall, near Coggeshall, co. Essex (P. R.). He left a son Matthew, a merchant, whose grandson Wilsby died in 1742 s.p.

¹ Whitelock's *Memorials*, p. 226. Calamy's Continuation of *Richard Baxter's Life and Times*. The Rev. T. W. David's *Annals of Evangelical Non-Conformity in Essex*. The Rev. Bryan Dale's *Annals of Coggeshall*.

² Lansdowne MS. 459.

³ On the breast of the white eagle in the drawing of the arms which accompanies the entry there is a crescent for difference.

⁴ I cannot refrain from here expressing my thanks to Mr. Ducane and Mr. J. Howell Blood of Witham for their courtesy in not only supplying me with information from the deeds, but also allowing me to inspect the documents for myself.

6. Peter Elliston. It is the line of this son, which is be traced below.

7. Isaac Elliston of Little Coggeshall, gent. was the seventh and youngest son, but in the Heralds' Visitation of Essex for 1664, which he signed (D. 21, College of Arms), he is described as the second son, that is, *surviving* son. Mentioned in his father's will as under age in 1625. Administration of his brother William's effects was granted to him May 17th 1652 (P. C. C.).

He was one of the trustees nominated in his brother Edward's (of Earl's Colne) will, 1663, in accordance with the injunction in which, as appears from one of the deeds in the possession of Mr. Ducane, he granted, Nov. 4th 1669, his moiety of the "New House" property to his nephew John, eldest son of his deceased brother the Rev. Peter Elliston of Sandhurst, and heir of his brother Edward.

Isaac Elliston appears to have been married, but had no issue. He resided chiefly at the Grange, Little Coggeshall, and died in 1678. See the Rev. Bryan Dale's *Annals of Coggeshall*.

8. Elizabeth Alliston. This is the only daughter mentioned in John Alliston's will, 1625. She was living in 1629, when her brother Joseph dictated his will, but was probably dead in 1652, the date of her brother John's will, as he does not mention her. For the same reason, it is to be presumed that the mother, Mrs. Alice Alliston or Elliston was in 1652 dead also.

To recur to PETER (who appears to have been the sixth) son of John Alliston of Black Notley, and his wife Alice. He was one of the sons for whom provision was made in his father's will to be brought up at the University.

It is to be presumed that he was the Peter Aliston, of Essex, who was matriculated pensioner of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, March the 2nd 1629-30, graduated B.A. 1633, and M.A. 1637.

The Rev. Peter Elliston was Rector of Horsmonden, co. Kent, from after 1643 to 1650, and of Sandhurst in the same county, from 1650 to his death in 1660. Buried at Sandhurst April 12th 1660 (P. R.).

In Calamy's *Richard Baxter's Life and Times*, it is stated, under the head of Horsmonden, that "Mr. Elliston had been in this place formerly, and could have cut down to the value of 200*l.* in timber that was ready to fell there. But he declared it should not be said that Horsmonden had made him rich, and so forbore."

Will, dated April 7th 1660, was proved by his relict Mary, executrix, Nov. 5th 1660, in P. C. C. (209 Nabbs). His brother Edward Elliston of Colne, his brother Matthew Elliston of Stanford Rivers, his brother Isaac Elliston of Coggshall, in the co. of Essex, and his brother-in-law Thomas Fuller, of Catsfield, in the co. of Sussex, were named overseers.

His wife Mary was daughter of Richard Fuller of Heathfield, co. Sussex, and sister of Thomas Fuller of Catsfield,¹ in the same county. She was buried at West Malling, co. Kent, Nov. 22nd 1712 (P.R.), aged 94 (M. I.), having survived her husband fifty-two years.

The children of the Rev. Peter Elliston and his wife Mary were : Mary, John, Hanna, Elizabeth (No. 1), Joseph, and Elizabeth (No. 2).

1. Mary, eldest daughter, was born Dec. 12th, and baptized the 28th 1645, at Horsmonden, co. Kent (P.R.). Mentioned in her father's will 1660.

2. John, eldest son, whose line is to be traced below.

3. Hanna, second daughter, baptized April 20th 1651, at Sandhurst, co. Kent. In one of Mr. Ducane's deeds, this daughter Hanna, it is stated, had a legacy left her by her uncle Isaac.

4. Elizabeth, third daughter, baptized Jan. 21st 1652, and buried Jan. 13th 1653, at Sandhurst (P. R.).

5. Joseph Elliston, second son, born Oct. 8th, and baptized Oct. 15th 1654, at Sandhurst (P. R.). Had lands in Warbleton, co. Sussex, bequeathed to him by his father's will 1660.

6. Elizabeth (No. 2), fourth daughter, born Nov. 5th, and baptized Nov. 14th 1658 at Sandhurst (P. R.).

To recur to JOHN the eldest son. He was born and baptized March the 25th 1647-8, at Horsmonden (P. R.). He had his

¹ Ancestor maternally of Sir Peregrine Palmer Fuller-Palmer-Acland, Bart.

father's lands in Essex bequeathed to him in 1660, and his uncle Edward's in 1663.

John Elliston was settled in West Malling, co. Kent. He married Elizabeth

The documentary proof that John Elliston of West Malling, co. Kent, was John eldest son of the Rev. Peter Elliston of Sandhurst, is supplied by the deed of release for ever, dated 1692, of the property of New House or Curdshall and Westfield in Little Coggeshall, co. Essex, by John Elliston of West Malling, gent. and his wife Elizabeth, to Mr. Nehemiah Lyde, the ancestor from whom Mr. Dueane derived the property.

John Elliston was buried at West Malling, January 27th 1707-8 (P. R. and M. I.). He died intestate, and his relict Elizabeth administered to his effects. (P. C. C. February 11th 1708.)

Mrs. Elizabeth Elliston herself was buried at West Malling, July 6th 1711.

The children of John Elliston and his wife Elizabeth were, Peter, John, Francis, Mary, Martha, Elizabeth, and Lydia.

1. Peter Elliston of West Malling, co. Kent, gent. Married in 1717 Katherine daughter and heir of Samuel Kender¹ of St. Mary's Whitechapel, gent. and his wife Ruth. (See Marriage License dated Aug. 9th 1717 at the Vicar General's Office and Samuel Kender's will as below).

The will of Peter Elliston, dated Feb. 26th 1718-19, was proved by his relict Katherine his executrix and residuary legatee in P. C. C. Jan. 23rd 1719-20 (7 Shaller). She erected the monument in West Malling church.

He died Dec. 10th 1719, and was buried at West Malling. (M. I.) He had been born in 1678.

His only surviving issue was a posthumous son born April 22nd 1720, and named Peter. (M. I.)

Mrs. Katherine Elliston *née* Kender married, secondly, Mr. William Mason of St. Mary's Whitechapel prior to Oct. 8th 1721, the date of her father's will, in which she is mentioned as

¹ Son of Thomas Kender, who in his will, proved in P. C. C. August 21st 1695 (Irby, 133), describes himself as of Old Brentford, co. Middlesex, and citizen of London, and states that he is of great age.

the wife of Mr. William Mason aforesaid. From this second marriage are descended the Masons of Beel House, Amersham, Bucks. Her father's will was proved by his relict Ruth, Oct. 24th 1721 in the P. C. C. (Buckingham).

Peter Elliston, posthumous son of Peter Elliston of West Malling and his wife Katharine, married in 1743 or 4 Mary, only daughter of Philip Hedman of Kingston-on-Thames. (M. I. in West Malling Church.)

He was of St. Martin's Outwich, Threadneedle Street, London. Had lands in the parishes of Birling and East Malling, co. Kent bequeathed to him by the will of his unele John Elliston 1745. His wife Mary is mentioned in John Elliston's will also.

He died Oct. 16th 1746, aged 26, leaving an only child, Peter Hedman Elliston (M. I. West Malling Church).

His will dated Oct. 13th 1746 was proved in the P. C. C. by his relict whom he named exeeutrix, Oct. 17th 1746 (293 Edmunds).

Peter Hedman Elliston the son, who was of Margaret Street, Cavendish Square, London, died in 1814 unmarried, and with him the family of Elliston became extinct in the male line. His will, dated Oct. 15th 1814, was proved in P. C. C. Jan. 18th 1815 (19 Pakenham).

2. John Elliston of Fetter Lane, parish of St. Dunstan-in-the-West, London, gent. Is designated in his brother Peter's will "citizen and mercer." Died May 4th 1746, s. p. aged 62 (Memorial Ring). Buried, in accordanec with the directions in his will, at West Malling, May 13th (P. R. and M. I.). His will, dated Dec. 7th 1745, was proved May 15th 1746 in P. C. C. (148 Edmunds).

3. Francis Elliston, buried at West Malling (M.I.).

4. Mary, born about 1677, married "Mr. William Mason of West Mauling, co. Kent, surgeon." The marriage allegation in the Faculty Office is dated February 12th 1699-1700. Had issue, but no deseendants are now known to exist.

5. Elizabeth, born about 1681; married Mr. Samuel Lueas of the parish of Saint Mary, St. Edmund's Bury, eo. Suffolk. The marriage allegation in the Faculty Office is dated June 28th 1709. Had issue, but no descendants are now known to exist.

6. Martha. It is the line of this daughter which is to be traced below.

7. Lydia. Married the Rev. Charles Brown, A.M. vicar of West Malling, eo. Kent, and of Cheshunt, co. Herts. There was no issue of this marriage. The Rev. C. B. died May 16th 1748, and was buried at Cheshunt (M.I.). His will, dated June 3rd 1743, was proved in P. C. C. May 25th 1748, by his relict Lydia, whom he appointed sole executrix. Mrs. Lydia Brown's will was proved in P. C. C. in 1759, by her "faithful servant" Mary Winsley, whom she appointed sole executrix and residuary legatee.

To recur to MARTHA ELLISTON. She appears to have been the third daughter and fourth child of John Elliston of West Malling and his wife Elizabeth. She married Richard Philipps of St. Mildred's Poultry, in the city of London, in 1702, at the age of 19, as stated in her marriage allegation, from which it appears that she was born in 1683.¹ She died in 1743 or 1745.

The Elliston family having thus been traced down to Martha, the family of PHILIPPS OF CHESHAM, into which she married, now comes under notice.

"CHARLES PHILIPPS of Nashleigh, in the parish of Chesham, in y^e countie of Būck, gent." thus designates himself in his will, which is dated April 29th 1677, and was proved Nov. 9th 1681 in the P. C. C. (170 North) by his second son, Nathaniel, sole executor.

He married Lidia, sixth daughter of Nathaniel Readinge of Nashleigh, in the parish of Chesham aforesaid, and his wife Elizabeth. This Nathaniel Readinge's will, dated Dec. 10th 1657 was proved March 6th 1657-8, in the P. C. C. (189 Wotton). From the will, in which he designates himself "Yeoman," it appears that he had *ten daughters*, nine of whom were married at the date of his will. To each of his sons-in-law, and to his unmarried daughter, Hesther, he left a considerable estate in lands—some in Buckinghamshire and some in Hertfordshire. To each of his married daughters and their children he made be-

¹ The Parish Register of West Malling does not extend further back than 1700.

quests in money. To his wife he gave certain lands absolutely, and his freehold house and lands unbequeathed for her lifetime—the latter at her death to revert to Charles Philipps and another son-in-law. Nathaniel Readinge had no son.

Charles Philipps in his will directed that he should be buried in the churehyard of Hawridge, eo. Bucks, but the register of that parish does not extend so far baek, and the transcript of it in the Archdeaconry Court at Aylesbury is defieient for the years from 1678 to 1702. His wife Lidia was living at the date of his will, 1677, but appears to have been dead in 1685, the date of her son Nathaniel's will.

The children of Charles Philipps and his wife Lidia were—Charles, Nathaniel, Elizabeth, Mary.

1. Charles Philipps. It is the line of this son which is to be traced below.

2. Nathaniel Philipps, second son, succeeded to the Nashleigh estate as heir of entail under his father's will, of which he was sole executor. His own will, in which he designates himself "Nathaniell Philipps of Nashleigh, in the parish of Chesham, in the countie of Bucks, gent.," is dated April 30th 1685, and was proved November 1685 in the P. C. C. (141 Cann) by his brother Charles, whom he nominated his sole executor and residuary legatee. He directed his body to be buried in Hawridge churchyard. Nathaniel Philipps died unmarried.

3. Elizabeth, eldest daughter, married John Ware, Oct. 16th 1679, at Chesham, eo. Bucks. (P. R.). Succeeded her brother Nathaniel in Nashleigh as heiress of entail under her father's will. There were three ehildren of the marriage of John Ware and Elizabeth Philipps living in 1685, the date of her brother Nathaniel's will. Elizabeth, wife of John Ware of Nashleigh, was buried at Chesham Jan. 23rd 1719, and John Ware himself was buried at the same place July 26th 1733 (P. R.). About 1743 or 4 the entail was cut off by a recovery, and the estate of Nashleigh sold in 1746 by Philipps Ware, the grandson of John and Elizabeth Ware aforesaid.

4. Mary, second daughter, wife of Daniel Gate; mentioned as such in her father's will in 1677. In the will of her brother Nathaniel, 1685, her seven ehildren are mentioned, all under age

—viz. Mary, Charles, Lydia, Daniell, Judith, Nathaniell, and Rebecca.

To recur to CHARLES, the eldest son of Charles and Lydia Philipps. He was of Chesham, co. Bucks.; married in 1677 Elizabeth, daughter of Richard Holl and of Elizabeth his wife, and granddaughter of the Rev. Thomas Holl, Vicar of Chalfont St. Peter, co. Bucks. Mrs. Elizabeth Philipps was born at Chesham Jan. 27th 1646-7 (P. R.) and was buried there Nov. 5th 1704 (P. R.). Charles Philipps's signature, as churchwarden, occurs in the parish books of Chesham for 1706 and 1707.

Charles Philipps died in 1714, as appears from the following entry in the parish register of Chesham: "Charles Philips, Gent. buried August y^e 27th. Affid. brought in y^e 28th."

The children of Charles Philipps and his wife Elizabeth were :—Charles, Richard, Nathaniel (No. 1), Carola Elizabetha, Nathaniel (No. 2), and Liddia.

1. Charles Philipps, eldest son, baptized March 29th 1678, at Chalfont St. Peter, co. Bucks (P. R.). In the parish register of Chesham there is appended to the entry of the baptism of Richard the second son the following note: "Charles, eldest son of Charles and Elizabeth Phillipps, was born y^e 29th of March 1678, and baptized at St. Peter's Chalfont, by his great-grandfather, then minister thereof."

From these two different records it appears that Charles was baptised the very day he was born, probably on account of his being a weakly infant.

His great-grandfather, then minister of St. Peter's Chalfont, was the Rev. Thomas Holl, his mother's grandfather, who was buried Dec. 22nd 1679, at Chalfont St. Peter, aged 90 years (P. R.).

The Rev. Thomas Holl, who had been appointed to the living of Chalfont St. Peter on the sequestration of the Rev. James Bradshaw, in or about 1648,¹ conforming to the Act of Uniformity, retained the living till his death.

¹ In the Report of the Commission appointed in 1651 to take a survey of the livings in Buckinghamshire (Lansdowne MS. 459) it is stated under the head of "Chalfont

Charles Philipps is mentioned in the will of his uncle Nathaniel Philipps of Nashleigh, 1685. He died *vita patris*, as appears from the following entry in the parish register of Chesham: "1705, Charles Phillipps, junior, buried June y^e 1st. Affid. brought in June y^e 2nd." He died s.p.

2. Richard Philipps, second son. It is the line of this son which is to be traced below. He was the only one of his father's family who had issue.

3. Nathaniel (No. 1), twin with Carola Elizabetha, baptized at the same time with her, March 19th 1683, at Chesham (P. R.). Buried on the 24th of the same month (P. R.).

4. Carola Elizabetha, eldest daughter, baptized March 19th 1683, at Chesham (P. R.). Mentioned in her uncle Nathaniel Philipps's will 1685. Buried at Chesham June 19th 1708 (P. R.) unmarried.

5. Nathaniel Philipps (No. 2), fourth son, baptized Sept. 28th 1684, at Chesham (P. R.). Mentioned in his uncle Nathaniel Philipps's will as his godson. Admitted to the freedom of the Mercers' Company of London in 1712, in the books of which he is described as the son of Charles Philipps of Chesham, Bucks. One of the executors of John Elliston's will, which he proved 1746, May 15, P. C. C. (148 Edmunds). One of the executors of his nephew Charles Philipps's will, which he proved Nov. 23rd 1747, in P. C. C. (289 Potter).

Nathaniel Philipps died on the 17th of May 1757, and was of Saint Clement Danes, in the co. of Middlesex, as appears from the endorsement on his will.

His will, dated May 17th 1755, was proved May 20th 1757, by his nephew Mr. John Burbydge of Chertsey, his sole executor, in the P. C. C. (166 Herring). In his will he describes himself as "citizen and mercer" of London. He died s.p., leaving the children of his deceased nephew, Charles Philipps, his residuary legatees.

6. Lydia or Liddia, second daughter and youngest child, was buried at Chesham March 1st 1695 (P. R.). She had been born

Peters," "Mr. Tho. Hall, vic. He preacheth twice every Lord's day and other days appointed by authority."

subsequently to 1685, the date of the will of her uncle Nathaniel Philipps of Nashleigh, as she is not mentioned therein along with the other children of Charles and Elizabeth Philipps.

To recur to RICHARD, the second son of Charles Philipps of Chesham and his wife Elizabeth. He was baptized at Chesham, April 9th 1680 (P. R.). He is mentioned in his uncle Nathaniel's will 1685. He was of the parish of St. Mildred Poultry, in the city of London. He married Martha, third daughter of John Elliston of West Malling, co. Kent. The marriage allegation in the Vicar-General's Office, dated August 8th 1702, states his age to be 22 and her age 19.

The children of Richard Philipps and his wife Martha were—Charles, Carola Elizabetha, Richard, Martha, and Nathaniel.

1. Charles Philipps, eldest child. It is the line of this son which is to be traced below.

2. Carola Elizabetha, second child and eldest daughter. Baptized Jan. 6th 1703-4, at St. Mildred's Poultry (P. R.). Married John Burbydge of the parish of St. Vedast Foster Lane, London. The marriage allegation in the Faculty Office is dated Oct. 6th 1739, and licences the marriage to take place at Cheshunt, Herts., of which parish her uncle, the Rev. Charles Browne, was at the time vicar.

John Burbydge was a son of Capt. Richard Burbydge, merchant in London, and his wife Anne, *née* Stares. Richard B. died July 15th 1730, and was buried at Rowner, Hants. (M. I.). His will was proved in P. C. C. in 1730. Mrs. Anne Burbydge died in 1758. In her will, proved in the P. C. C. in 1758, she directed that she should be laid beside her husband in the vault at Rowner.

Col. John Burbydge died at Lympstone, Devon, s. p. leaving his wife, by his will, proved in the P. C. C. 1779, all his furniture, and a life interest in his stock, houses, and lands in the parishes of Chertsey, Egham, and Old Windsor.

Mrs. Carola Elizabetha Burbydge died the year after her husband without a will, and her nephew, Richard Elliston Philips, the youngest son of her deceased brother Charles Philips, administered to her effects in 1780, P. C. C.

3, 4, 5. Richard, second son, baptized March 3rd 1705-6; Martha, second daughter, baptized Oct. 19th 1707; and Nathaniel, third son, baptized Jan. 15th 1709-10, all at St. Mildred's, Poultry (P. R.); died young.

To recur to CHARLES, the eldest son of Richard and Martha Philips.

He was baptized May 8th 1703 at St. Mildred's, Poultry (P. R.) In his will he designates himself "Charles Philips of Great Queen Street, in the parish of St. Giles, London, gentleman." He followed the profession of a portrait painter. Three pictures by him were in the second special Exhibition of National Portraits at South Kensington in 1867, viz.: Family group of Lord and Lady A. Hamilton and Children, dated 1731; Equestrian Portrait of H.R.H. the Duke of Cumberland and Lord Cathcart at the Battle of Culloden; and Portrait of Admiral Edward Vernon.

A large full-length picture of Augusta Princess of Wales nursing the infant Augusta, eldest sister of King George the Third, and afterwards Duchess of Brunswick, has been mentioned by Mr. Scharf as the best painting he had seen by Charles Philips. The picture, signed and dated 1737, was given by Lord Archibald Hamilton to a former Earl of Warwick, and is still preserved at Warwick Castle. Other paintings of his noticed by Mr. Scharf are: a delicate little picture of Lady Betty Germaine, still preserved in her apartments at Knole, in Kent, dated 1731; a curious picture, dated 1738, called the "Knights of the Round Table," containing many small portraits of noblemen of high rank, among which that of Frederick Prince of Wales is prominent; and a small picture, without date, of a club called "The Harry V. or the Gang," in which Frederick Prince of Wales again figures. The last two pictures hang in the corridor of Windsor Castle. Mr. Scharf refers to two or three other portraits by Charles Philips, and observes that "the persons whom he represented seem to have belonged invariably to the upper classes."

Charles Philips married Mary, second daughter of Thomas Freeman of the island of Antigua and his wife Rebecca.¹ The

¹ Mrs. Rebecca Freeman was the eldest daughter of Col. William Byam of Antigua and his wife Mary, daughter of the Hon. John Yeamans, Lieut.-Governor of Antigua.

marriage allegation, with the oath of John Yeamans, esq. that he is the testamentary guardian of the said Mary Freeman, and that he is consenting to the marriage, in the Vicar-General's Office, is dated Dec. 29th 1737, and the marriage took place Jan. 22nd 1738, at Egham (P. R.). See Pedigree of Byam of Antigua, in the College of Arms, and that of Freeman, Philips, and Jones, in connection therewith.

Mrs. Mary Philips, *née* Freeman, is the lady whose portrait forms one of the subjects of the correspondence between Mr. James Whatman and myself, which was noticed in Part xxiii of this Journal, Aug. 1867. The portrait was bequeathed by Mr. Charles Philips to his wife, and at last came into the possession of their youngest son Mr. Richard Elliston Philips. At his death *s. p.*, it fell into the hands of his widow, from whom it passed to her nephew, the father of the present Mr. James Whatman.

From the correspondence referred to it was seen that Mr. Whatman keeps the portrait in question hanging up in his house at Vinters, near Maidstone, as an *heirloom*! In the same correspondence Mr. Whatman is told that, as he cannot call the lady it represents a relative, so he cannot call the portrait a family portrait of the Whatmans; and is then asked, what the meaning of the word "heirloom" is, as applied by him to the portrait of *my* great-grandmother.

Charles Philips died Nov. 20th 1747. His will, dated Oct. 20th 1747, was proved in P. C. C. on the 23rd Nov. following by his uncle Mr. Nathaniel Philips and his brother-in-law Colonel John Burbydge, the executors (289 Potter). Both he and his wife and children are mentioned in John Elliston's will.

Mrs. Mary Philips married, secondly, the Rev. Thomas Beighton, vicar of Egham, and died in 1755 without issue by this second marriage. The Rev. Thomas Beighton himself, who administered to her effects, died in 1771 and was buried at Egham (P. R. and Monumental Inscription to his memory written by his friend David Garrick). His will, dated Oct. 22nd was proved Oct. 29th 1771, in P. C. C. (398 Trevor).

The children of Charles Philips and his wife Mary were: Charles, Nathaniel, Martha Byam, and Richard Elliston.

1. Charles Philips, eldest son, born January 15th and baptized Feb. 7th 1738-9, in the parish of St. Giles in the Fields, co. Middlesex (P. R.). Mentioned in the will of Nathaniel Philips, his late father's uncle, who gave and devised to him certain copyhold property in the parish of Islington, besides a share of his personalty in common with his brothers and sister. Stood godfather to his niece Carola Elizabetha Jones, Nov. 13th 1765 (P. R. of St. Dunstan's in the East, and Family Bible). Dead, s. p. before 1787.

2. Nathaniel Philips, second son, born Jan. 12th, and baptized January 25th, 1739-40, in the parish of St. Giles in the Fields, co. Middlesex (P. R.). Died s. p. 1784, June 17. Buried in the College church at Chelsea Hospital. (Family Bible, and Lysons' *Environs of London*.) His relict, Bridget, administered to his effects. In the Administration Book, P. C. C. he is described as "Nathaniel Philips, esq. capt. of the R. garrison batallion and major of brigade on the establishment in America" In the Gentleman's Magazine he is stated to have been "Major of Brigade to the Earl of Lincoln."

3. Martha Byam, only daughter. It is the line of this child which is to be traced below.

4. Richard Elliston Philips, third son and youngest child, born March 20th and baptized April 18th 1745. Commissioner of His Majesty's Customs for Scotland. Married Susanna Elizabeth Whatman, Dec. 13th 1773, at Boxley, in the county of Kent (P. R.)

This Susanna Elizabeth Whatman is the lady whose birth and parentage form the subject of the inquiry which was instituted in drawing up this pedigree for entry at the College of Arms. The result of the inquiry, with documents, is contained in the letter to Sir Bernard Burke, noticed in the present work, vol. iv. p. 455.

It was seen that she was the daughter of James Whatman of Boxley, co. Kent, paper-maker, but that there was a doubt as to whether she was one and the same person with the daughter the entry of whose baptism occurs in the Parish Register of Boxley as follows:—"1747. Aug. 24. Elizabeth Sarah d. of James Whatman and Anne his wife."

The date, it was observed, corresponds with the reputed age of Mrs. Susanna Elizabeth Philips (Family Bible).

The doubt arose especially from the circumstance that in the Whatman "*Lineage*" (?) in the "History of the Landed Gentry," which must have been supplied to the Editor by the present Mr. James Whatman, or his father, it is stated that "Elizabeth Sarah, daughter of James Whatman and his wife Ann, m. Rich^d Elliston Philips, Esq."

The only way to reconcile this discrepancy would be to suppose that "Susanna Elizabeth Whatman" and "Elizabeth Sarah Whatman" were one and the same, but that for the baptismal name "Elizabeth Sarah" the name "Susanna Elizabeth" had been substituted. Such a supposition, however, would imply that the Miss Whatman who married Mr. Richard Elliston Philips was married under a Christian name not her own.

Mr. Richard Elliston Philips died, s. p. at Edinburgh, January 29th 1813 (Family Bible), and with him the family of Philipps of Chesham, co. Bucks, became extinct in the male line.

Mrs. Susanna Elizabeth Philips died January 26th 1820 (Family Bible), leaving her nephew James Whatman, father of the present Mr. James Whatman, of Vinters, executor and residuary legatee. My father, Mr. Richard Jones, attended the funeral of Mrs. S. E. Philips, as the representative of his uncle, her late husband, in the capacity of chief mourner, supported by common friends of himself and Mr. R. E. Philips. Mr. James Whatman, sen., though he had, by letter, led my father to expect otherwise, came privately to Edinburgh after the funeral, and, evading all communication with my father or any of Mr. Richard Elliston Philips's old friends whom he had previously known, swept away all that had belonged to the said Mr. Richard Elliston Philips—conduct which excited the indignation of that gentleman's old friends.

The Whatmans thus came into possession of documents, pictures, &c. belonging to the Philips' family which had passed to Mrs. Susanna Elizabeth Philips at the death of her husband.

Mr. James Whatman, now M P. for Maidstone, as seen from the correspondence between him and myself, passing off the Philips family pictures as "heirlooms" of the Whatmans, and withholding from me any genealogical information from the Philips papers—nay substituting a description of a different portrait for the true one of my great grandmother, and supplying

a statement, as if from the papers, calculated to mislead—has manifested an unmistakeable desire to appear as the representative of the Philips family, and of course of the Elliston family also, to say nothing of the Freemans and Byams. He had previously, viz. in 1842, asked, I presume with his father's concurrence, my permission to assume the name of Philips, introducing himself by saying that *we* (that is he and I) were relations—a claim which I met by the suggestion that we were only connections.

The desire to appear as the representative of another man's family, on the ground that a grand-aunt happened to be the childless wife of one of the members thereof, is sufficiently absurd and ridiculous; but it is supremely so when *a doubt hangs over the identity of the person* on whom the pretension is founded.

To guard my genealogy against any such invasion, the pedigree here published, (as also that of Freeman, Philips, and Jones in connexion with Byam of Antigua, referred to above, p. 18,) was drawn up and recorded at the College of Arms; and to show who the Whatmans of Boxley really are, and how they came into possession of the paper mills in that parish, the letter to Sir Bernard Burke was addressed.

To recur to MARTHA BYAM PHILIPS, the only daughter of Charles Philips and his wife Mary, *née* Freeman, and the only one of their family who had issue.

She was born March the 2nd and baptized March the 16th 1742 at St. Giles' in the Fields, eo. Middlesex (P. R.).

She married Mr. Richard Jones of the parish of St. Dunstan in the East, in the city of London, on the 29th September 1761, at St. Dunstan's in the East (P. R.). The settlement is dated on the 9th of that month. Married secondly John Gely, and died at W. Cowes, I. W. May 10th 1801.

The Philips family having thus been traced down to Martha Byam, the family of Jones, into which she married, comes lastly under notice.

THOMAS JONES of Ty-newydd, in Llanforda township, parish of Oswestry, county Salop, and his wife Barbara, had three daughters and an only son Richard.

RICHARD JONES, the only son of Thomas and Barbara Jones, was baptized Jan. 11th 1727-8, at Oswestry (P. R.). He was of Thames Street, in the parish of St. Dunstan in the East, London, merchant, and liveryman of the Barbers' Company. He married Martha Byam Philips, as above mentioned, Sept. 29th 1761, at St. Dunstan's in the East (P. R.). Died Feb. 22nd at Norwood, and was buried at Streatham, co. Surrey, Feb. 25th 1767 (P. R. and Family Bible).

The issue of Richard Jones and his wife Martha Byam was two sons and three daughters:

1. Richard (No. 1), was born Sept. 12th 1763, and was baptized Sept. 25th at St. Dunstan's in the East (P. R.). Died Sept. 27th (Family Bible and P. R.).

2. Richard (No. 2), was born Nov. 6th 1764, and was baptized Nov. 12th at St. Dunstan's in the east (P. R. and Family Bible).

This RICHARD JONES, the only surviving son, was of His Majesty's Customs for Scotland. He married Margaret, second daughter of Mr. Mark Cockburn of Ayton Mains, in the parish of Ayton, co. Berwick, and his spouse Elizabeth. The settlement is dated March 5th; and the marriage was solemnised at Edinburgh March 6th 1802 by the Rev. Archibald Alison, according to the rites of the Episcopal Church of Scotland (Family Bible).

Margaret Cockburn was baptized at Ayton Mains Feb. 5th 1782 (P. R. of Ayton).

Mr. Richard Jones died Dec. 6th 1821 at Musselburgh, and was buried in Inveresk churchyard on the 14th of the same month.

Mrs. Margaret Jones died Sept. 15th 1862, at 35, George Street, Hanover Square, London, and was buried in Woking cemetery.

Their issue was three sons and four daughters.

1. Richard Elliston Jones, eldest son, Lieut. H.E.I.C.S., died at sea in returning from India in 1828, on sick certificate.

2. Thomas Wharton Jones, second son, F.R.S. F.R.C.S. Professor in University College, London, &c.

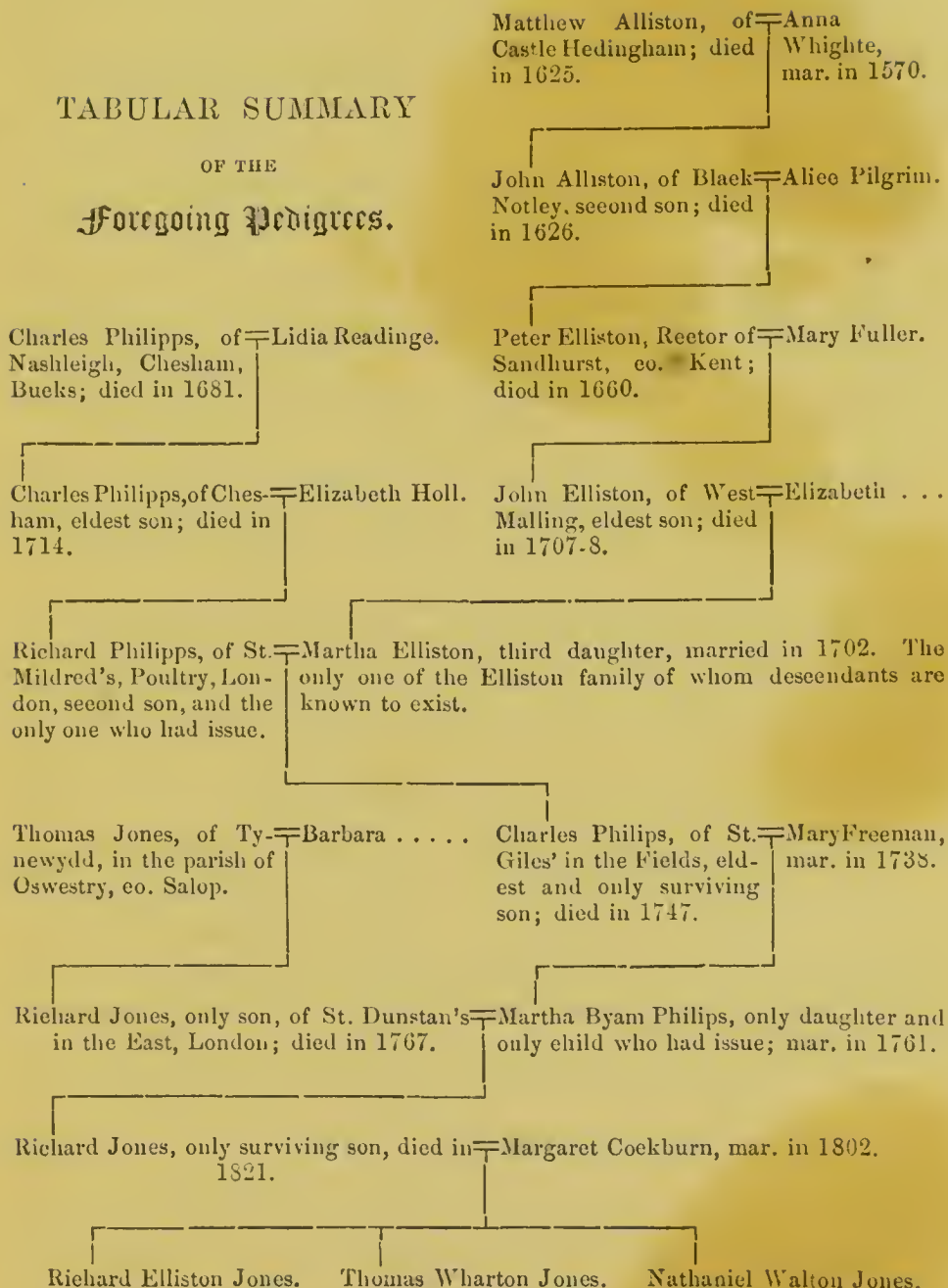
3. Nathaniel Walton Jones, M.R.C.S. L.S.A.

Of the daughters, one died an infant, and the eldest and youngest died each at the age of 20 unmarried.

TABULAR SUMMARY

OF THE

Foregoing Pedigrees.



Family of Alliston or Elliston of Overhall, in the parish of Guestingthorpe, co. Essex.

Contemporary with the Allistons or Ellistons, whose pedigree has been traced, there was another family of the name in Essex, but of which there is no entry in the Heralds' Visitations of the county.

The family, which was of Overhall in the parish of Guestingthorpe, is however prominently noticed, though with much inaccuracy, in Morant's History of Essex, whilst the family which was entered in the Heralds' Books is scarcely mentioned at all, is confounded with the Overhall family, or is but imperfectly traced under the head of "Family of Alliston." Morant evidently did not know that Alliston and Elliston were the same name, spelt indifferently with an A or an E.

The two families in question may have been originally of the same stock, but I have not discovered any relationship between them subsequently to 1570, except marriages into the same families.

In drawing up the foregoing pedigree of the Ellistons of Tillingham and Coggeshall I came so frequently on the Ellistons of Overhall in Guestingthorpe that I found it necessary to draw out a genealogical sketch of the latter family, in order to avoid confounding it with the other or the other with it.

The Overhall family is now extinct in the male line, but is represented by the Earl St. German's, through his grandmother.

John Elliston of Sudbury, Castle Hedingham, and Great Henney, mercer, flourished in the beginning of Queen Elizabeth's reign. He had two sons, William and John, and three daughters.

John the second son, of Overhall, in the parish of Guestingthorpe, is stated by Morant to have died in 1630; I am inclined to believe, however, that it was in 1639 or 1640, as there is at the Record Office an *Inquisitio Post Mortem* dated 1640, referring evidently to the John Elliston under notice. He had a son John¹ and one daughter.

¹ In the List of Freeholders in the county of Essex, circa 1633 (Harl. MS. 2240, British Museum) we find the name of Johannes Allistone, gen. under the head of Guestingthorpe.

John Elliston, the son, was born about the end of the sixteenth century, and died in 1652. By his second wife, Mrs. Clench, widow, he appears to have had no children. By his first wife (probably one of the Sparrow family) he had three sons, John, Peter, and Oliver, and two daughters.

John, the eldest son, married Winifred, daughter of Robert Barrington. He was nominated his father's executor, but died Aug. 22nd 1652, a few months after his father, without proving the will. Mrs. Winifred Elliston, therefore, as her husband's executrix, proved both his and her father-in-law's will in 1653 (P. C. C.) This circumstance explains the mistake committed by Morant and continued ever since, of representing this John Elliston as having died unmarried, and his wife Winifred, *née* Barrington, as having been his father's wife and his own mother! John Elliston left one son John, and his wife Winifred with child. This son John died in 1653, and his mother Winifred had a grant of administration to his effects in P. C. C. March 1653-4. There is no account of the child of which Mrs. Winifred Elliston was pregnant at the time of her husband's death. Failing his own issue, John left his lands to his brother Peter, and failing him to his brother Oliver. Peter, John's next brother, accordingly succeeded to the Overhall property.

Before proceeding with Peter's family, it may be interesting to mention the following points in the histories of John and Oliver: John Elliston published a translation of the following works of Jacob Böhme: *Epistles* in 1649, and *Signatura Rerum* in 1651; and at the time of his death was occupied with the translation of Böhme's *Mysterium Magnum*. This was completed and published by his kinsman, John Sparrow, in 1654, who winds up his preface to it as follows:—

To conclude, let the reader know that more then halfe this book was translated into English by my deare kinsman Mr. John Ellistone, who departed this life at Gestingthorpe in the county of Essex on the 22nd of August 1652, about 1 of the clock in the morning, and so went into the mystery where his soule enjoyeth the fruits of his labours of love, which those shall also doe that walke in the same path, and I among the rest may in my appointed time be found in Christ worthy and capable to come to the innumerable company of angels, though now I

deserve to be accounted one of the unworthiest of the children of men.

JOHN SPARROW.

Oliver Elliston, the youngest brother of John just noticed, married the widow of William Sparrow. In his will dated Dec. 27th 1665, and proved in P. C. C. July 14th 1666, he is described as of St. Botolph's Billingsgate, London, gent. He left his property to his two stepsons, William and John Sparrow, and his step-daughter Mary, Mrs. Fuller. His brother Peter, to whom he left only some five or ten shillings, contested the validity of the will, but without success.

We now recur to Peter, who, on the failure of his brother John's issue in 1653, succeeded to the representation of the family.

This Peter Elliston was baptized in 1626, and died in 1672. He left three sons, John, Peter, and Oliver.

Peter the second son died in 1680.

Oliver the third son was of St. Paul's church-yard. He married in 1692 Hester daughter of Matthew Gibbon and his wife Hester, and had a son, Capt. Edward Elliston of South Weald, co. Essex.

John the eldest son of Peter was born in 1659, succeeded to the Overhall property, and died in 1691, leaving three sons, John, Peter, and Oliver, and four daughters all under age (will pr. in P. C. C.).

The sons Peter and Oliver died in 1691.

John the eldest and only surviving son succeeded to the family property, and died in 1738-9 without issue, leaving his cousin, Edward Elliston, his heir (will proved in P. C. C.).

This was the Capt. Edward Elliston above mentioned as the son of Oliver Elliston and his wife Hester, *née* Gibbon.

Capt. Edward Elliston married his cousin Katharine,¹ daughter of Edward Gibbon and his wife Katharine. His will was proved in P. C. C. 1748. He left an only child Katharine, who married Edward Eliot, afterwards created Lord Eliot.

¹ She was aunt of the historian of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire. ✂